

International Activities

OSRP staff cooperates with international organizations and countries for repatriation of radioactive sources to their country of origin, particularly repatriation of US-origin material.

OSRP has worked with more than seventy countries, from Albania to Zambia, providing source recoveries, training, site assessments, and other services, through NNSA and other entities, such as the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA).



If You Have Excess or Unwanted Sources

Licensees should register all excess and unwanted radioactive sealed sources with OSRP for recovery consideration.

OSRP recovers US-origin transuranic sources and high-activity beta/gamma devices that are not commercially disposable. Recoveries are prioritized on the basis of activity level at the location. Where numerous sources of lower activity are present at a single location, consideration may be given to the total activity from a security perspective.

You can register sources even if they are still in use or do not qualify for recovery by OSRP. Our staff can assist you in managing your disused sources and planning for future disposal.



Source Registration is Easy and Free!

Register unwanted sources online using the registration instructions provided on our website:
<http://osrp.lanl.gov>

Questions about source registration may be directed to OSRP by calling toll free 877-676-1749 or sending email to osrp@lanl.gov.



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In some cases legal reuse and recycling is possible and is encouraged by NNSA and OSRP. Registration does not imply nor guarantee that the program can assist with removal/disposition of all radioactive material.

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NATIONAL SECURITY THROUGH SOURCE REMOVAL

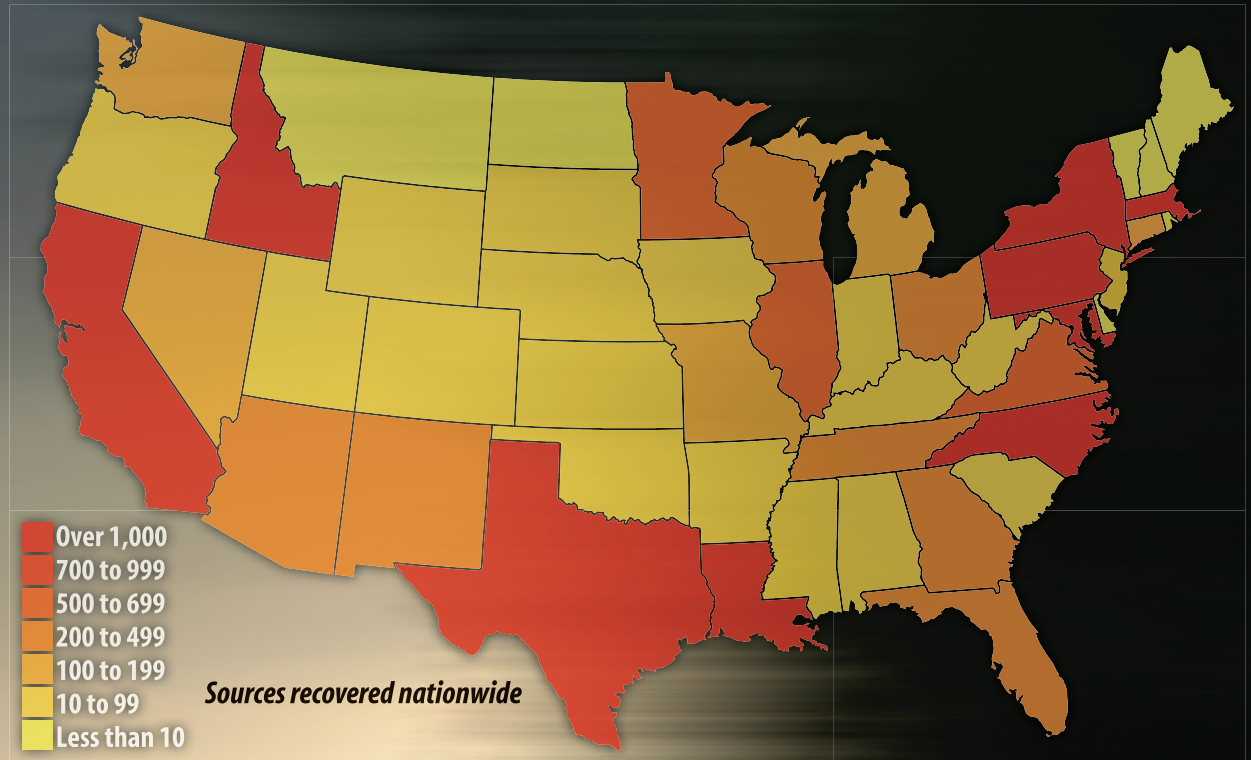


OFF-SITE **SOURCE** RECOVERY PROGRAM

What is OSRP?

The Off-Site Source Recovery Program (OSRP) has a National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) sponsored mission to recover excess, unwanted, and abandoned radioactive sealed sources that pose a potential risk to national security, public health, and safety.

OSRP contributes to national security by eliminating from the environment excess radioactive sources that could be used in a Radiological Dispersion Device ("dirty bomb") or for any other malicious purposes. The program is part of NNSA's Office of Radiological Security.



- Since 1997, OSRP has removed over 37,000 radioactive sealed sources totaling more than 1.1 million Curies of material from over 1,300 industrial, educational, healthcare, and government facilities worldwide.
- The program recovers and secures an average of roughly 2,000 sources each year from US-domestic locations.
- Recovered sources are prepared and packaged for disposition at DOE-authorized disposal facilities in the US, and transported in accordance with applicable regulations.

- OSRP can assist with sealed source identification, packaging, transportation, secure storage and disposition; all in accordance with regulatory requirements.
- OSRP collaborates with DOE/NNSA to provide instruction and training on radioactive source search and secure techniques to other countries' regulatory authorities.
- OSRP personnel provide training to foster an overall awareness of the need to ensure security of radioactive sources at all levels of use, storage, and transportation.